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REQUEST

FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of a utility or patent application

filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

Application Number	09/757,714
Filing Date	01/09/2001
First Named Inventor	Raymond Rudolph Spivey
Group Art Unit	3653
Examiner Name	Noland, Kenneth W.
Attorney Docket Number	7148
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.

Note: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SBIZ9) instead of an RCE to be eligible for the parent term adjustment provision of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice. Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000). 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (April 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

willori established NCE practice.	
 Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114. a. Previously submitted i. Consider the amendment(s) (reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116) previously under amendment(s) referred to above will be entered) ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously. iii. Other: Enclosed Supplemental Amendment Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), PTO-144 	pusly filed on
2. Miscellaneous a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested period ofmonths. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.f.R. § b. Other:	
 3. Fees The RCE for under 37 C.F.R. §(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed. a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or cre Account No. 09-0528 i. RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §1.136 and 1.17) iii. Other: any fees required for this RCE transmittal b. Check in the amount of \$\frac{1}{2}\$ enclosed c. Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed) 	RECEIVED JAN 2 4 2003 GROUP 3600
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Art Unit: 3653

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CARTON WITH AN IMPROVED DISPENSING FEATURE

Transmitted herewith for filing is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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Independent 9 Claims	- 4	= 5	X \$84.00/\$42.00	\$420
			Total Additional Fee This Amendment-≻	\$996

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